



# TOWN OF ELLINGTON

## Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee

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### AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE

#### Special Meeting Minutes October 20, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Arzt, Monique Burns, Bill Merson, Jeannie Burns, Rodger Hosig,

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Houghtling

CALL TO ORDER: 7:50 p.m.

CITIZENS FORUM: None

MILFOIL REMOVAL UPDATE: A memo was received from first Selectman Maurice Blanchette which stated his signing of the contract Amendment No. 3. It is expected to be signed by WERM. It is further expected that WERM will submit a program for milfoil removal not completed to date and next fiscal year's maintenance activities. It was decided that the DAM area will be performed in the spring to effectuate the best possible conditions for milfoil removal.

BUDGET 2010/2011: There is \$5,800.00 left in this fiscal year with a pending \$3,000.00 Contract Amendment No. 3 which leaves a balance of \$2,800 to handle the water testing.

BUDGET 2011/2012: According to WERM the Northeast and Aborn Coves were never surveyed by George Knoecklein. Bill produced a map from George Knoecklein that did in fact survey the Northeast Cove. WERM stated that George Knoecklein had recently surveyed all of the cove areas. WERM will try to purchase this information for use in preparing their estimates.

There has been a discovery of the Aqua screen "benthic barrier". Milfoil has been discovered to be growing thru the barrier in Bantam Lake. The DEP is investigating the future use of this product. At this time use of the barrier is still a good application because the pond is not accessed by anyone. However, the use of the benthic barrier in

the cove areas may not be appropriate due to this new development. Suction harvesting may be the best application to remove the milfoil in its entirety.

WERM will be providing estimates for the following:

Aborn Cove and Northeast Cove,

Maintenances in the open water, maintenance in the Route 140 Pond stream from Route 140 Pond to Lake, and

Cost of water quality report and plant survey.

COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS: Monique asked Jason if the benthic barriers have been removed from the cove at Rte 140 Pond. Jason stated that they will be removed tomorrow 10/21/10.

Bill asked if the screen at Rte 140 Pond outlet is maintained by the town or the state.

Monique stated that the pipe itself and screen are maintained by the state. Monique will contact DOT and ask that it be cleaned.

ADJOURNMENT: MOVED (J. BURNS), SECONDED (M. BURNS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Monique Burns,  
Secretary